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SUBJECT: REALIGNMENT OF PSYOP EFFORTS IN PACOM

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1. ASSUMING USARPAC DEFINITELY PLANS TO TERMINATE SUPPORT FOR FORMER VUNC TRANSMITTERS AND UNLESS USIA HAS PLANS TO PICK UP SUPPORT FOR THIS OPERATION WE FACE QUESTION OF WHAT TO DO ABOUT EXISTING FACILITY. OPTIONS ARE: SELL OR GRANT FACILITY TO ROKS, STORE IT IN KOREA, OR REMOVE IT ALTOGETHER .

2. EMBASSY/USIS JOINT VIEW IS THAT TO SELL OR GRANT FACILITY TO ROKS WOULD OPEN USG TO CHARGE OF MATERIALLY SUPPORTING A UNILATERAL ROKG PROPAGANDA EFFORT TOWARD NORTH. ACCORDINGLY WE OPPOSE THIS COURSE. STORING IN KOREA WOULD RESULT IN TRANSMITTER BECOMING WASTING ASSET AND WOULD ALSO PROVOKE ROKS TO ASK WHY EQUIPMENT NOT BEING TURNED OVER TO THEM FOR CONTINUED USE.

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WE THEREFORE ALSO OPPOSE THIS COURSE AND

CONCLUDE TRANSMITTER SHOULD BE DISMANTLED AND
REMOVED FROM KOREA.

3. THERE IS A PROBLEM RELATED TO FREQUENCY ITSELF.
OUR UNDERSTANDING IS THAT IF VOA VACATES THIS
FREQUENCY IT MAY BE OCCUPIED BY ANY INTERNATIONAL
BROADCASTER SO DESIRING. WE CAN FORESEE POSSIBILITY
OF MISUNDERSTANDING WITH ROKG IF VOA UNILATERALLY
VACATES THIS FREQUENCY WITHOUT FIRST NOTIFYING
ROKG WELL IN ADVANCE OF INTENTION TO VACATE.
ROKG IN OUR VIEW SHOULD BE INFORMED TO GIVE THEM
OPPORTUNITY TO OCCUPY THE FREQUENCY IF THEY SO
DESIR.
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